

## **Ahuroa Hall Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday 26th August 2014**

### **Meeting Opened at 7.40pm**

**Present:** Dan Berger, Melinda Bennett, Claire Bennett, Rob Gibson, David Thatcher, Christine Bullock, Jo Bullock

**Apologies/Absent:** Adrienne O'Brien

### **Matters Arising From Previous Minutes:**

Jo moved that the previous meeting minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by Claire.

Rob has submitted the form required to be a signatory for the hall committee bank account.

Christine has yet to sign the form and submit it. Rob's inquiries regarding account auditing within the council were unfruitful.

Jo outlined the developments with regard to the fence. Melinda broached the fence subject with the council representative – Don Lawson - who had come to talk about the path. She outlined to the committee his preference for the layout of the fence which was either the whole area, or a smaller area, but not bisecting the grassed area. Jo is going to alter the plan accordingly, and get material/labour quotes. There was some discussion around involving Playgroup dads in the construction.

Jo raised the issue of who was to pay for the gibstopping and painting of the playgroup storage room. Melinda moved that the Hall Committee pay the bill, all in favour.

Further to Melinda's meeting with Don Lawson, the funding for the path project has been approved. However, the Auckland Council have deferred all funding for paths until 2015. Melinda outlined the health/safety concerns of parents and children navigating along the open road between the hall carpark and the school to Don; he is going to look at funding the project from the maintenance budget.

With regard to the school kitchen installation proposal the Ahuroa BOT thought it was a good idea, but wanted assurance from the council in writing that it would continue to be available to the school in the future. Melinda provided quotes for two kitchen cupboards from Mitre 10; this was \$2000. The general consensus was that that was too expensive. Melinda is to obtain a quote for this work from Brett Adams, and possibly some other quotes.

Melinda described the colour scheme for the Kaipara Flats Hall - similar to Ahuroa Hall – there was a darker paint colour on the lower half of the tongue and groove which was effective. Painting in the future could be a possibility, funded by the Hall Committee with volunteer labour. Some further investigation of the previous sanding and staining/varnishing work is to be done.

The playgroup cupboard work is completed.

The issue of Ahuroa School representation on the Hall Committee was raised. Melinda will remain on the committee in the meantime and the school will appoint another representative at their discretion.

No bank statement has been received; Melinda will ask the school to give any post for Rob to his son Alex to bring home.

The acoustic material in the junior room at Ahuroa School was discussed as an option for the Hall. Melinda is to investigate the cost of this. Also, at some stage, the curtains could do with being renewed.

Next meeting Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm

**Meeting closed at 8.30pm**